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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BENC, NI

SUBJECT: BUSINESS VISITOR: H.G. PARTRIDGE

1. H.G. PARTRIDGE OF INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMS AND CONTROLS CORPORATION (ISC) CONTACTED COMMERCE/MEPD TO REQUEST EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN PLANNING VISIT TO NIGERIA TO DISCUSS

WITH KEY NIGERIAN OFFICIALS FIRM'S ABILITIES IN FORESTRY SECTOR AND POSSIBLE PROJECTS IN WHICH FIRM MIGHT PARTICIPATE. FIRM AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES INVOLVED IN FORESTRY PLANNING, SAWMILLS AND PAPER MILL DESIGN. VISIT WOULD BE EXPLORATORY, LOOKING FOR LONG RANGE BUSINESS PROSPECTS.

2. PARTRIDGE, IN DISCUSSIONS WITH NIGERIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, WAS GIVEN NAME OF HUSSANI ABDULLAHI, MILITARY GOVERNOR OF BENDEL STATE AS GOOD CONTACT. PARTRIDGE  
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WROTE GOVERNOR REQUESTING APPOINTMENT AND HAS RECEIVED NO REPLY. PARTRIDGE COULD TRAVEL FIRST TWO WEEKS OF JUNE OR, IF THESE DATES INCONVENIENT, COULD ALSO MAKE PLANS FOR

EARLY JULY. HE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ATTEMPT DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF GOVERNOR OR OTHER NIGERIAN OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN FOREST SECTOR WHOM IT WOULD BE

USEFUL TO MEET WHILE IN NIGERIA.

3. UNDERSTAND NIGERIA PLANNING MASSIVE REFORESTATION  
PROJECT IN NORTH. SUCH PROJECT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO  
ISC AND OTHER U.S. FIRMS. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY  
REPORT ON STATUS THIS PROJECT. CHRISTOPHER

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